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Sunday's Air Test Met All Expectations Civilian Defense Workers Fully Respond Guard Maneuvers End In Parade Review

Throughout the county a most important air raid test was given prompt consideration last Sunday afternoon and it is said that more than 4000 persons responded in their official capacities. Military maneuvers were held by the six companies of State Guard, under Capt. Harold H. Flower, the senior officer. Companies engaged came from Greenfield, Turners Falls, South Deerfield, Shelburne Falls, Colrain and Northfield. Up the highways through the Farms and Gill, troops, worked their way toward Northfield, divided in opposing forces. Finally they all converged at a point near the Stearns garage and were hurried by motor to the Town Hall, where a procession was formed and with music by that most attractively uniformed Turners Falls High School Band, the march was taken up through Main street to the High School Athletic Field. Here military formations took place, the band rendered most excellently, martial music, and then the Northfield company presented itself before the reviewing stand. A guard of honor of the local American Legion Post, consisting of Harry Gingrass, Sidney Given, Miles Morgan and Fred Bolton, came forward, bearing the American flag and the State flag, and then offered them to a detail of the local company, who bore them away, in a review of the entire regiment. The flags were the gift of a Northfield citizen, Walter E. Hallam of Highland avenue, whose patriotic generosity has been frequently appreciated. In the reviewing stand were the Selectmen of the town, Chairman Fred A. Holton, George W. Carr and Myron Dunnell, also Commander Warren Whitman of the Legion Post. Also in evidence was Capt. McCann of the U. S. Marine Corps and many local officials of Civilian Defense. Capt. Max Huber, Jr., was in command of the Northfield company.



At Stearns garage a basket of pigeons with messages were released. Headed by the band, the entire regiment with Capt. Flower at its head, paraded down Main street with the colors flying to the Town Hall, where the Red Cross canteen section and a number of helpers in charge of Mrs. Allen H. Wright, Chairman, and Mrs. Frank H. Montague of the Women's Civilian Defense, served the guardsmen with food. The alarm warning for the air raid test came to the Civilian Defense officials about 2 o'clock, when sirens were sounded as well as bells and whistles. Air raid wardens, police and others covered their posts and members of the various divisions promptly reported to their stations. For 20 minutes all traffic, by motorists and pedestrians, was at a standstill and afterward permitted to proceed until the all clear signal about 4 o'clock. There were two local incidents, one at the high school and another at the Central Vermont railroad station, which provided the training and experience for the fire department, ambulances, medical units, first aid crews and the Red Cross motor corps. There were also four district incidents that did not call for the transfer of equipment or personnel in the Turners Falls district. These incidents were carried on by phone communication. The evacuation station headed by George W. Carr listed responses and provision for the care of 100 evacuees. Town Hall, as headquarters for the local Civilian Defense Committee, was a busy place with Chairman George McEwan, Dr. Richard G. Holton of the protective division, Harold F. Bigelow, air raid warden, and Roger Greenwood, blackout officer, receiving and issuing orders.

Observers on duty at the lookout on the hotel grounds, watched carefully and reported the appearance of all planes, but expected parachute jumpers did not appear. The air test and the maneuvers gave Northfield a full afternoon's interest, with thousands bent on observation. Officials pronounced both affairs as being an unqualified success. Every member of the local Civilian Defense Committee was present and assumed their responsibilities.

Mrs. Nellie M. Wood Has Passed In Death Services On Saturday

Mrs. Nellie M. Wood, widow of Dr. Norman P. Wood, who has been a resident of this community for 54 years, died at her home on Main street early Thursday morning after a long illness. She was born in Vernon, Vt., April 5th, 1856, one of seven children of James G. and Lucy Lee Weatherhead.

Mrs. Wood attended the Vermont schools and graduated from Brattleboro High School, class of 1874, she then attended Goddard Seminary of Barre, Vt., graduating from there in 1876. She then taught school in Vernon for a short time, then went to teaching at Greenmountain Perkins Academy at South Woodstock, Vt., where she met Doctor Wood who was then the principal of the academy. They were married Feb. 18, 1879, at her home in Vernon. They took up residence at South Londonderry, Vt., and remained there six years, then moving to Northfield, where they resided and made their home and here Dr. Wood established a large medical practice.

Mrs. Wood always had a deep interest in community affairs and entered heartily into the development and welfare of the town. For nineteen years she was a trustee of the Dickinson Library, in which she was much interested. She served for a number of years on the school board. Mrs. Wood helped organize and was first Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star Chapter of Northfield and served on the board of the State Eastern Star Home Association. She also organized the Fortnightly Woman's Club and served as its president for ten years. She was a member of the Brattleboro Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and several other organizations. Mrs. Wood joined the Vernon, Vt., Universalist Church and continued her interest in all the activities connected with that church, although she attended the Unitarian Church of Northfield, giving to it her support and loyalty.

She is survived by two sons, Robert Lee Wood of San Gabriel, Calif., and N. Philip Wood of Los Angeles, Calif., also a granddaughter, Mrs. Hugo Sant Fournier and a great-grandson, Robert Charles Sant Fournier, residing in Bermuda; also a sister, Harriet Lucy Thomas of Brattleboro.

The funeral will be held at her home on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be at the Whited cemetery in Vernon, where her husband and father and mother are buried.

Being Sent Abroad

Frank R. Otte, who was a lieutenant in the first World War, was commissioned last June as captain in the Intelligence Department of the Aviation Corps. After a strenuous training in Florida and Pennsylvania he was selected as one of 30 officers to go abroad for foreign service. He is now enroute for the Orient. Mr. Otte is a son of Mrs. J. A. Otte, and nephew of Rev. Philip T. Phelps, well known summer residents of Rustic Ridge.

Foliage Is Beautiful Season At Its Best Not Much Touring

Nature is putting on a wonderful display just now in the changing colors of the foliage, and gradually from north to south, the leaves of the trees are bursting forth with yellow and red of many shades. The landscape is a most fascinating picture. There are no excursionists coming to enjoy the country side, because there are no special trains, and motor trips through the mountains are few, because there is no gas.

The usual string of cars passing through Northfield toward the hill and mountain sections are missing this fall and local residents are content to appreciate the fall setting from vantage points.

The entire territory of this section of the state, lower Vermont and New Hampshire is at its best now and one of our residents who has made a circuit of this section was overjoyed with the wonderful displays.

Northfield residents are fortunate in the fact that they may take short walks from their homes and enjoy the scenery. The hills about Northfield Farms, about Mount Hermon and along the river offer splendid vistas, but perhaps the best is from East Northfield, from the Seminary, looking west and northward. Everybody should plan to get out every day, if only for a short time to view the colorful scenery.

One more cold spell, one more rain and one more heavy frost will draw the curtain on the scene for this year.

Kathleen Cowles Married

The marriage of Miss Kathleen Wright Cowles, daughter of Rev. David Otis Cowles of East Orange, New Jersey, and a summer resident of East Northfield, and Theodore Cullum Denise, son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm F. Denise of Lansing, Mich., took place in the Park Avenue Methodist Church of East Orange, last Sunday afternoon, October 4th, with the bride's father officiating.

The church was decorated with palms, white candles, and white chrysanthemums. The bride wore a white dress with a faille bodice and a starched chiffon skirt appliqued with faille petals, and a hat of braided grosgrain ribbon, white flowers, and a face veil. She carried a cascade bouquet of white orchids and bouvardis. Mrs. Charles E. Crain of Paterson, N. J., sister of the bride, was her only attendant, and wore a gown of fuchsia faille with a tight bodice and full skirt, a veil over her head, and carried a cascade bouquet of white gladioli and English ivy.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Fred D. Wright, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Malcolm L. Denise of Detroit, Mich., a brother of the groom, was best man. Following the church wedding there was a reception at the home of the bride for members of the family and close friends. The young couple left in the early evening for a wedding trip and a sojourn on Cape Cod.

Miss Cowles was graduated from Miss Whitman's School in Newark, N. J., and attended the American University in Washington and the University of Michigan. Mr. Denise was graduated from the University of Michigan and at present is a member of the Army Amphibious Engineering section at Camp Edwards.

Blanche Edson Marries

Miss Blanche Edson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford J. Edson of the Plains Road and Russell T. Nimmons, son of Mrs. Ellen Nimmons of Greenfield, were married in Bernardston last Friday evening by Rev. A. L. Truesdell, in a single ring ceremony. Miss Gladys Edson, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid and Robert Dumbreck was best man. The bride wore a dress of soldier blue with matching accessories and a corsage of tea roses. After the ceremony a reception and wedding supper was held at the Bernardston Inn. Mr. Nimmons is a member of the army air force fighter squadron stationed at Norfolk, Virginia.

Students and faculty members of Mount Hermon School have organized under Civilian Defense to assume their part in air-raid or blackout tests. They will be part of the plans and procedure of the town of Gill. John Bassette is the air-raid warden and Harry Erickson is the blackout officer. Signals are given on the power-house whistle.



BUY WAR BONDS

Mrs. Jennie Whitmore Dies Last Saturday

Mrs. Jennie M. Whitmore, widow of the late Stephen E. Whitmore, who died March 20, 1941, passed in death suddenly at her home on Main street, last Saturday evening, after a long illness.

She was born in Richmond, N. H., on November 15, 1862. After her marriage, with her husband, they moved to Athol and resided until 1900, when they came to Northfield for residence. She was a member of the Unitarian Church and of the Fortnightly. She was kindly and sympathetic and made many friends, who mourn her loss. She was devoted to her family and home, a good neighbor and possessed of a Christian character.

Surviving is one son, Leon Whitmore of this town. The funeral services were held at Kidders funeral parlors on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. Arthur Heeb officiating and burial was in the family plot in the cemetery at Athol.

Congregational Church

Services on Sunday and events of the week are as follows: Sunday morning worship at 11 o'clock with sermon by Mr. Dahl, "Religion Has the Answer," and "Good News About God." Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:30, being the annual meeting for the election of officers.

On Monday at 7 o'clock, Boy Scouts will meet and at 7:30 the church standing committee meet to prepare for the annual meeting of the church.

Wednesday at 6:30 o'clock will be held the annual supper and business meeting of the congregation. There will be an election of officials, the reception of reports, and voting on the budget and changes in the constitution, as well as other items of business. All church members are urged to attend.

On Thursday at 10 o'clock the Sewing Society will meet with a luncheon at noon. At 7:30 the weekly prayer meeting. Text for meditation will be "Hallowed Be Thy Name," led by Mr. Dahl. At 8:30, choir rehearsal.

There is a definite need for a piano to be used by the new Primary Department of the Sunday School. If anyone knows of one that might be lent or donated to the church, will he please contact Miss Amelia Hausman, superintendent, or Mr. Dahl as soon as possible.

The Unitarian Church

Next Sunday morning at 10:45 o'clock, service of worship, sermon topic: "God in October Days." Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister, Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, choir leader and organist. A cordial welcome to all. Church school, 9:45: topic: "Code Messages of God." Edmund Morgan will lead in the service.

The Woman's Alliance will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. Charles Leach. Mrs. Leach and Mrs. George Kidder will be hostesses. Each member and guest will be asked to present a favorite verse or quotation. Mr. Heeb who is in charge of the program, will read some favorite Unitarian verses and will read the chosen verse of a number of members who on account of age and illness will not be present.

The dancing in social expression and dancing will meet Friday evening in the social hall at 7:30 to 9:30. Mrs. Betty Long will assist in leading in the dance. A brief informal program will be given.

Carl C. Compton of this town conducted the morning service and preached the sermon at the Metcalf Memorial chapel in Warwick last Sunday.

Sunday Services At Seminary-Hermon

The speaker in Sage Chapel this Sunday morning will be Dr. Boynton Merrill, pastor of the Second Church in Newton and trustee of the Northfield Schools. Dr. Merrill will be heard at the 11 o'clock service and will also lead the vespers worship at 5 p. m. In the evening he will be the guest speaker at a discussion meeting for faculty to be held at the home of Miss Wilson. The subject of the meeting will be "Religious Education."

Dr. J. Glover Johnson, pastor of the Mount Hermon Church, will lead the boys in the communion service in Memorial Chapel at 10:30 a. m. At 5:30 there will be a song service held in the chapel.

Fortnightly Today

The Fortnightly opens its club year this Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Alexander Hall. President Mrs. Paul Mayberry will preside and present a report on the Swampscott meeting which she attended recently.

Mrs. Kirke L. Alexander, State Federation Chairman of Health Education, will be the principal speaker. Dr. V. Lane of the Northfield Seminary will give a short lecture on "Cancer."

It is suggested that members living beyond walking distance try the "car pool" system and invite other members living in your area to ride with you, rotating cars for each meeting.

The tea hostesses are Mrs. Fred Pallam, Miss Maud Hamilton and Mrs. Grove Deming.

Auto Registration

A. P. Fitt calls our attention to the situation regarding registration of motor vehicles for 1943. Holders of numbers under 10,000 will receive application blanks now and application blanks for those holding numbers below 100,000 will be accepted before November 14. General registration will begin October 14 and the office at Greenfield will begin to issue plates December 7th. No requests for special registration numbers other than those held can be made. No new plates will be issued for 1943, but there will be issued a tab to be attached. There are some additional questions to be asked for all registrants on the new forms of application. It will be wise for motorists to consult with their insurance agents as early as possible.

First Aid Classes Open

Courses in standard and advance first aid are now being planned, to begin within the next week or ten days. If you are interested in joining either of these classes please communicate with Hazel Schooley or Gene Cullum, stating which course you wish to take and, what night would be most convenient. The decision as to time and place depends upon which evening is most suitable for the majority. All first aiders, who have satisfactorily completed the 24-hour standard course, are eligible to take the additional 10-hour advance course. All others would be enrolled in the standard course.

In Hermon Honor Roll

The following local students are included on the Mount Hermon School Honor Roll for the year 1941-42: William R. Comp-ton of Northfield; H. Russell Flanagan of Greenfield; Harry S. Zaluzny, South Vernon; Theodore R. F. Wright, Northfield; and John A. Kikert of East Northfield. In a school of over 500 boys they are among 100 who made the ranking list for scholarship.

Senator Curtis Here At Trustees Meeting Talks To Students

Last week end, Senator Laurence Curtis of Boston attended a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Northfield schools, of which he is a member, and while here addressed the students of Mount Hermon School gathered in assembly. Senator Curtis is the Republican candidate for the office of State Treasurer and will be voted upon at the coming state election. In his address to the students, he said:

"This is a difficult time for the older students. Many are restless. My generation understands that, having passed through a similar time when we were about your age. For those of you who may be called, the best preparation you can make here at school is to do your job from day to day to the best of your ability. If you make that a habit, it will stand you in good stead in the armed service."

"And if you are called, remember that we older folks appreciate what you do. You, young and strong, will be the protectors and defenders of the women and children."



dren and of the old folks, against brutal aggression in this war of survival."

Senator Curtis discussed the offices and referendum questions to be voted upon at the coming elections. He said:

"Our form of government places great responsibilities on the individual citizen. It will not work unless he accepts those responsibilities. His first duty is to vote intelligently. An interested citizen can have a very real influence. If he takes part in local political activity he can easily make his voice felt in the selection of candidates, and even in their action after they are elected."

"We must do our part to preserve our political rights and form of government which were handed down to us and bought at a great price."

"On the fighting front we must beat down the aggressor. On the home front we must safeguard and pass on the priceless fabric of constitutional American democracy."

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Coburn, who have occupied their cottage in Mountain Park since last May, left this week for Jamaica, N. Y., where they will remain until the latter part of this month when they will proceed to their winter home in Orlando, Florida.

Soldiers Entertained By Local Committee Wednesday Evening

Town Hall presented a real social atmosphere Wednesday evening, when a group of soldiers attached to the 705th Military Police, Company B, stationed at Camp Northfield off the Warwick road, in charge of Lieut. Bernier and Lieut. Daniels, recreation director of the camp, were entertained with an evening of games and dances and with refreshments served. The local committee of arrangement was headed by Mrs. E. M. Powell and operated under direction of Sam E. Walker, who heads the Social Service division of the State Civilian Defense. His assistants were A. P. Fitt and E. S. Frary, all of whom had experienced social work with the troops during the first World War. To entertain the soldiers were three dozen young ladies, invited to serve as junior hostesses from Northfield and about a dozen from Mount Hermon. The evening's program opened with musical selections by Leon Dunnell and William Shattuck, Jr., with contributed selections by Pvt. Danny Riordan, a former pianist, with the Rudy Vallee orchestra band.

The program was followed by dancing and games and all entered into the evening's pleasure. Prizes were donated by Harry Gingrass and Luman A. Barber. Mrs. W. R. Moody loaned a ping-pong table for the evening and tables were set for bridge, bingo and other card games.

At 10:30 o'clock refreshments were served by Mrs. William A. Shattuck, chairman of a committee of fifteen hostesses, all of whom supplied cakes and cookies. Mount Hermon School presented a box of fine apples. The hall was decorated with flags, autumn leaves and streamers and presented an attractive appearance.

At eleven o'clock the soldiers bid adieu to their friends and Lieut. Bernier expressed the warm thanks of the men for the cordial reception given them. The conduct of the recreational evening was according to rules of the USO which were posted on the walls.

This party and others planned for the future are invitation affairs and arrangements are made with the commanding officer of Northfield camp. They are not public, but Northfield boys, who are actually in the service, will be made welcome while here on furlough. This first affair was an unqualified success.

Another First Aid Class

An American Red Cross standard first aid class began its sessions Thursday evening at the Town Hall, in the basement room with Gene Cullum as instructor. This class is open to anyone interested in first aid training, and arrangements have been made so that anyone unable to have attended the first meeting, may enroll next week with an opportunity given to make up the first lesson.

A final opportunity will be given to all qualified persons to register at the Town Hall on Wednesday, October 14th, from 12 noon to 10 p. m., in order that they may participate in the November election. Remember that this is the final chance to have your name on the town's voting list.

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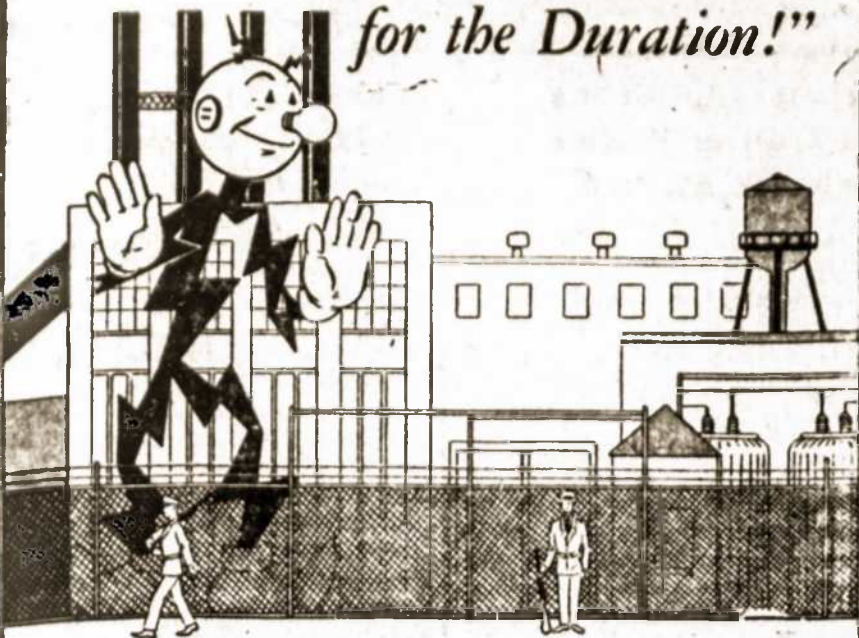
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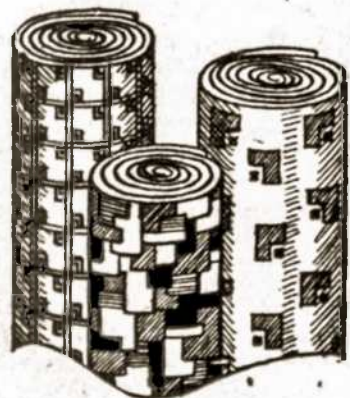
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TOWN TOPICS

Miss Edith Spaulding of East Rockway, N. Y., is having a vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Spaulding of Winchester road.

Northfield Grange will neighbor with Millers River Grange in Orange this Saturday evening.

The Grange will hold a regular meeting next Tuesday evening. The first and second degrees will be conferred.

Yesterday (Thursday) was Mountain Day for the students of the Seminary and excursions were made in groups to various places to view the wonderful foliage.

The first fall meeting of the Health Council of which Miss Anne Mattoon is president will be held at the Town Hall, Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Renewal form for all B and C coupon book holders, expiring Oct. 22, have been mailed out by the local rationing board. Those whose coupon books expire on that date and who have not received a renewal form, are requested to stop at the office and obtain a blank. Be sure to attach a self addressed postcard to your application.

Miss Jean Giebel and Eric are spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Belgrade of Colrain avenue in Greenfield.

President William E. Park will preach at the Sunday afternoon service at the Choate School in Wallingford, Conn., this week.

Friends who wish to send any bundles of magazines to Camp Northfield on the Warwick road for the soldiers' use, may leave them at Spencers garage or at the home of Mrs. E. M. Powell, where they will be collected by the army trucks.

Local motorists will be glad to know that the auto tax for next year will be reduced \$3.13 with the excise tax rate fixed at \$36.33 per thousand.

L. P. Goodspeed announces the opening of a unique venture in the store in the Webster Block recently vacated. He will remove his watch shop there also. Read his advertisement fully in this paper.

The advertising of Spencer Bros. in last week's Press and in this issue has merit. It is so recognized and has received very favorable comment. Did you read it?

The Garden Club Meets

A call has been issued for the October meeting of the Garden Club at Alexander Hall next Monday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Several important matters of business will be considered and the committees for the year will be announced. There will be musical selections on the program and the guest speaker will be George Nichols of Greenfield, who will talk informally on landscape gardening and beautifying the home grounds and conduct a questionaire. Mrs. George W. Carr, as president, will preside.



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Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Holton and family are occupying the Wade place on the road to the depot which they recently purchased.

Mrs. Leon Randall is gradually improving from the injuries she suffered from a fall at her home recently. No bones were broken but she sustained many bruises.

Norman Randall, who has been visiting at his home, will begin his training in the navy in which he has enlisted.

Mrs. William Hilliard has been named as a member of the community salvage committee to take the place of Mrs. Earl Lilly who resigned.

The Vernon Union Sunday School are sending Christmas boxes for Vernon boys in the armed service, both overseas and in this country.

Services will be held Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m., at the South Vernon Church when Rev. J. William Denton of New Bedford will be the speaker. Mr. Denton was pastor at the Pond Road Chapel before the South Vernon Church was built. Sunday school will be at 11:45; Loyal Workers at 6:30, leader, Warren G. Brown. There will be a service at the Pond Road Chapel on Tuesday evening at 8, with Rev. F. H. Leavitt in charge.

Rev. Ronald S. Berzanson of Meredith, N. H., who was extended a call to become pastor of the church, has notified the church in a letter to Ernest W. Dunklee, clerk, that he will be unable to accept.

Vernon Grange will meet next Wednesday evening at 8. There will be a truth and consequence program.

Mrs. Ellis E. Jones has returned home after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Harry L. Mahoney, in Cudahy Falls, Ohio.

Dies In Heart Attack

While visiting his wife and daughter, Miss Julia Austin of Main street at their home last Sunday, William A. Austin was seized with a sudden heart attack and died immediately. Dr. Wright being called, last Sunday afternoon about 5 o'clock. The funeral services were held at Kidders funeral parlors on Tuesday morning with Rev. Arthur Heeb officiating. The body was taken to Waybridge, Vermont, for burial.

"Those in the habit of putting buttons instead of coins in the collection plate will please put in their own buttons and not the buttons from the cushions in the pews."

Two Negroes were attending a political meeting where a candidate was making a speech.

In a few minutes one said, "Mose, who is dat man?" "I don't know," Mose answered, "but he sho do recommen' hisself."

Mother announced that a prize would be given each Saturday to the most obedient member of the family during the week.

Almost with one voice the five children protested: "Oh, that isn't fair. Daddy will win every time."

Brown: Why has Jones carried that mortgage on his house so long?

Smith: Because he can't lift it, I guess.

Jack: My faith could move a mountain.

Jill: Then you had better apply some of it to those ashes in the basement.

Jam - With Less Sugar

By Frances Lee Barton

WE may not have as plentiful a supply of sugar as we had a year ago, but the children (and most of our men folks) still have that "sweet tooth" for jam.

Here's a recipe where the quantity of sugar is reduced and a light corn syrup called upon to aid as a sweetener. I'm sure you'll find it more than satisfactory.

Ginger Pear Jam
— 4 cups prepared fruit; ¼ cup dried crystallized ginger; ½ cups sugar; 2 cups light corn syrup; 1 bottle fruit pectin.

To prepare fruit, peel, core, and crush completely or grind about 2 pounds fully ripe pears. Dice about ¼ pound crystallized ginger.

Measure sugar, corn syrup and prepared fruit, solidly packed into large bottle. Add ginger, mix well, and bring to a full rolling boil over hottest fire. Stir constantly before and while boiling. Boil hard 1 minute. Remove from fire and stir in bottled fruit pectin. Then stir and skim by turns for just 5 minutes to cool slightly, to prevent foaming fruit. Pour quickly. Put in hot jam at once. Makes about 11 glasses of jam.

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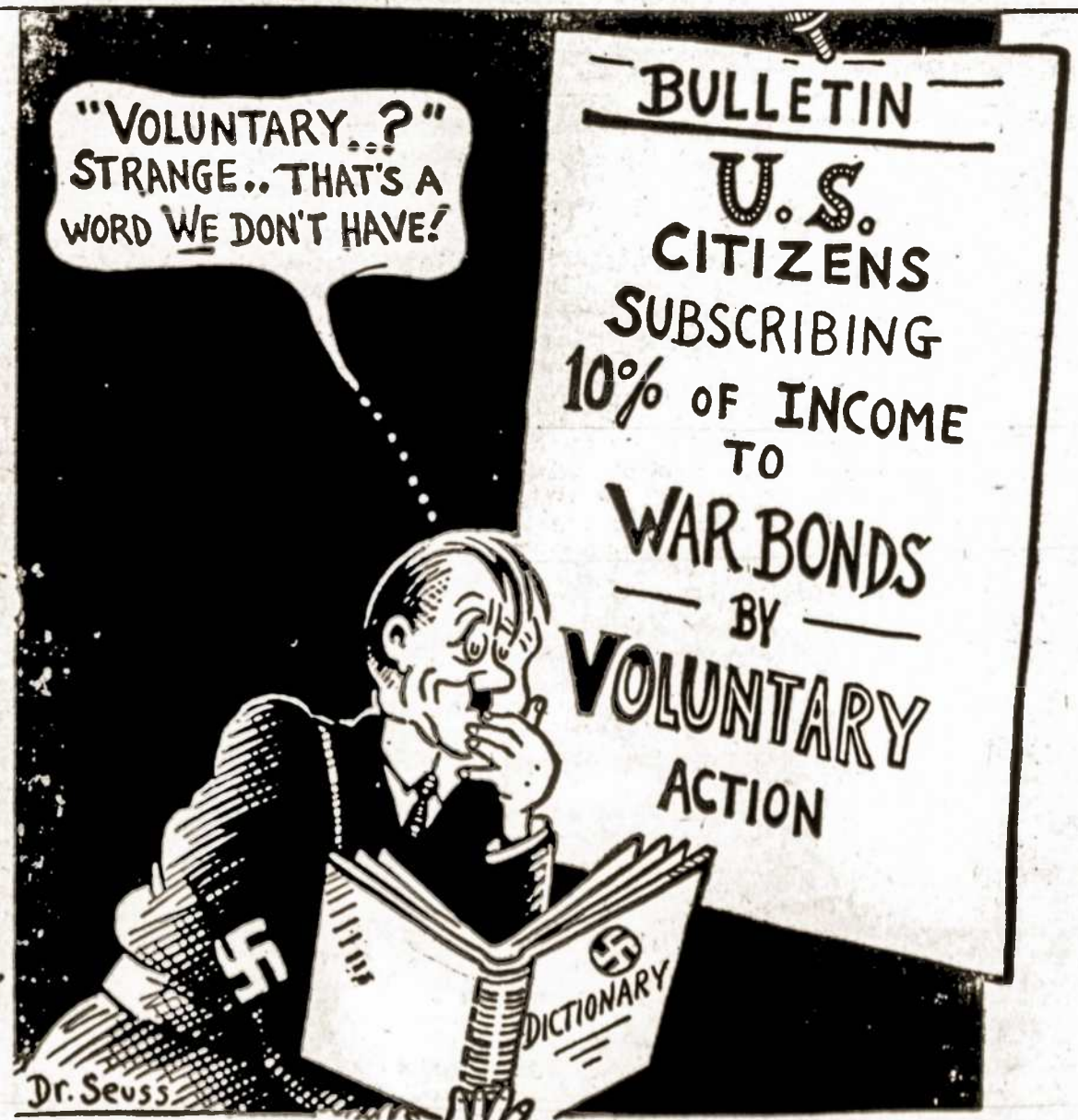
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TOWN TOPICS

Charles Repeta of this town is taking an educational course of instruction on boiler engineering in Boston.

The Fortnightly will hold its first meeting of the season this afternoon at 8 o'clock at Alexander Hall with the program as scheduled. A large attendance is expected.

Junior stenographers and junior typists are needed by the government, announces the Civil Service Commission. Also needed are junior observers in meteorology (women). Competitive examinations will soon be held and any interested in Northfield may receive full particulars by inquiring at the East Northfield post-office.

Measured rainfall for the month of September records an above the average amount and totals nearly six inches. In September of last year there was less than an inch.

Howard Spaulding, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Spaulding of Winchester road, who is with the Marines in training at Quantico, spent a brief furlough at his home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Maydole of Princeton, N. J., who have occupied their cottage "Placebo" in Mountain Park during the summer, left for their home this week.

Ernest Bolton of Johns Hopkins University spent last week end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Bolton, who also entertained Miss Martha Virginia MacInnes of West Roxbury.

Rev. and Mrs. Loring B. Chase, who spent the summer at their cottage in the Highlands, were guests last week of Mrs. Lucinda Gunn of Sunderland, but are now on their way to their home in Palm City, Florida, where he is pastor of a church.

Mrs. Eugene Lavelle of the Beers Plain road has been very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Reynold Upgard of Turners Falls and has been removed to the Farren Memorial hospital for treatment.

Lloyd L. Miller, age 68 of Greenfield died at the Franklin County Hospital last week Friday after several months of illness. He is survived by his wife, three sons, Carroll H. Miller of this town, Clayton Miller of Greenfield, and Francis Miller of Greenfield. Also a daughter, Mrs. Eugene Kennedy of Greenfield. Funeral services were held Monday.

Mrs. Robert Taylor and Irving J. Lawrence participated in a musical program given at the Guild supper and entertainment at Warwick, Wednesday evening of last week.

Mrs. Paul Mayberry, president of the Fortnightly, entertained the executive board of the club at her home last Friday afternoon.

Rev. J. Glover Johnson of Mount Hermon School faculty was the preacher at the morning service of the Congregational Church at Shelburne Center last Sunday morning.

Patrons of the A and P store are pleased with the new location and the large consignment of goods which it displays on the "self service" plan. Demands are being made upon the management for the installation of a meat department.

The Evening Auxiliary of the Congregational Church will meet this Friday evening at the church at 7:30 for a sewing meeting. Miss Sophie Servaes will lead the devotions.

There are no provisions for additional gasoline for county residents driving south for the winter. The instructions are definite in an order from the Boston office which notes there is no provision in this area for gasoline for this purpose. There have been several requests already and more are expected.

Rev. Phillip Phelps has closed his cottage on the Ridge where he has spent the summer and is now domiciled at the Bronson Inn where he will remain for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Miller and family of Winchester road have removed to their home on Glen road recently purchased.

Mrs. David Tomkins has returned to her home on Winchester road after a visit with her daughter and family in Westfield, N. J. Mrs. Harry Crawford of Philadelphia is now with Mrs. Tomkins.

Next Sunday will be Pulaski day, marking the 163rd anniversary of the death of Count Casimir Pulaski, Polish patriot. Governor Saltonstall have issued a proclamation in recognition of his illustrious service in the war for American independence.

The draft board has placed Merle Jones of this town in class 3-B and Herbert Ripley of this town, now living in Maine, has been placed in class 1-B. These are reclassifications.

L. H. Cooper of Main street was a guest of the Kiwanis Club of Orange, last Monday at the regular meeting when Capt. Willard D. Hanelin and Lieut. Francis E. Bernier of the 705th military police battalion of Camp Northfield were speakers and also guests.

Rev. George A. Bronson of this town was the preacher at the morning service of the Federated Church in Winchester, N. H., last Sunday.

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Young Lawyer: But, sir, there is no knowing how long it will drag on.

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HOME WORK FOR HOME OWNERS

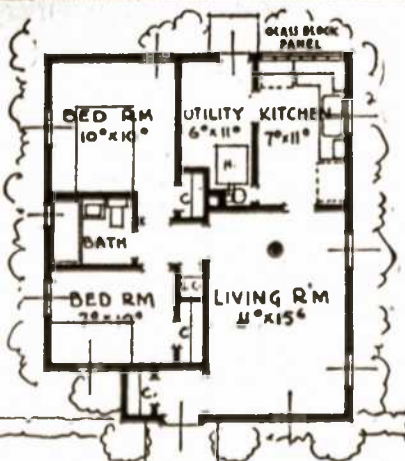


THERE'S a do-it-yourself drive on for home owners wishing to make repairs or improvements on their homes. In the first place, much of the man power in the building industries is needed for vital war construction. In the second place, the home owner who cuts down on labor costs can do a lot more with the \$500 permitted him by the War Production Board for new construction in any one year.

This comfortable little house serves as a model for what you can do yourself and is full of good suggestions for home owners. The old flammable roof of the house, which may be worn and weather beaten to boot, can be covered over with the same fire-and-weather-resistant asphalt shingles that adorn this roof. The application of the new roof can be made right over the old one, and the ambitious householder can do the job himself. This gives extra insulating thickness as well as needed fire protection. New roofs may be applied without cost restrictions, according to the WPB, even if they are of a different material from the original roof.

If you want to take another tip from this do-it-yourself house, you can even lay your own broken flag walk from the front door down to the sidewalk. Such walks are cheaper than plain concrete and more attractive.

Wise home owners will also start learning now how to fix their own leaky faucets, broken sash cords and sagging steps. They can repaint their own awnings to



freshen them up and can also repaint the whole house inside and out if it needs it. There's real fun to be had in doing such home work on these weekends when you can't go driving in your car, and it is now more important than ever to keep what you have in tip-top condition.

One especially attractive feature of this little house, which was designed by Randolph Evans of the Monthly Small House Club, Inc., 140 Nassau Street, New York City, is the use of glass blocks in the kitchen. These Insulux glass blocks allow as much light as ever to flow into the room, but are non-transparent to protect its privacy. Glass blocks are still available for new homes being erected in defense areas, and may be incorporated without restrictions in the dream plans for that house you're hoping to build after the war is won.

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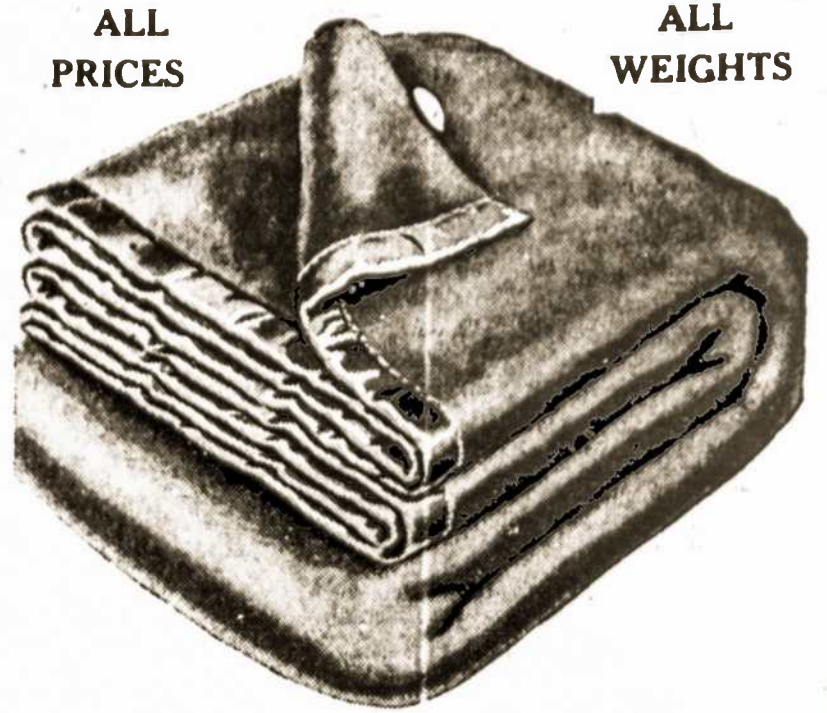
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EDITORIAL

APATHY

Leaders of both political parties are worried by a seeming indifference to the coming election by the voters. They are cool and apathetic and to a dangerous degree. There are indications which point to the smallest percentage of voters who will go to the polls and determine the character and control of the next Congress, which will face the gravest of war problems. The freedom of franchise in a democracy should be taken seriously by our people entitled to vote and there is no excuse for anything which will interfere with the casting of our ballot for the nominees who are to serve in the coming days. Every citizen of this community is urged now to arrange his affairs, and plan to go to the Town Hall and exercise his privilege of voting for candidates of his or her choice for all national, state and county officials.

THE PRESS

The observance of "newspaper week" has just ended and the newspaper publications have given much space to the value of the press, of its freedom, and as to its essential benefits. Everywhere, in many columns, public officials, Federal, State, City and Town, agree in expressions that without the wholehearted co-operation and participation of the press, the roadways of progress would be indeed difficult.

The local newspaper is the herald for local information, and the citizen subscribes for it because it is the medium of common knowledge of the happenings of the community. Governor Saltonstall, heartily entering the endorsement, pays a high tribute to the press by declaring its necessity and of its essential qualifications. The Nation, the State, the City and the Town, can well be proud of its newspapers and the

character of its people is often reflected in their columns.

JAY TEMPO

The civilian population of Japan has accepted, apparently willingly, sacrifices which are almost incredible. In Japan everything is rationed. The clothing and the food available for civilians is qualitatively and quantitatively bad—everything must go to the army and navy. The masses of the people eke out an existence on rations which would cause starvation in most countries. But they don't complain. They are convinced that the price is well worth paying for the "glorious destiny" which their Samurai leaders have promised. They work tremendously long hours, and they have little relaxation and no luxuries. Prices have gone up while wages have remained stationary. Yet they look forward with confidence and longing to the day when the United States and Britain will be crushed, and Jap leaders will dictate harsh peace terms in conquered Washington and London. For us this presents a portrayal of misled ambition.

Make A Compost Heap For Your Garden Use

Haydn S. Pearson writing in the New York Times recently provides a most interesting article on "Building up the compost heap." From it we quote:

"A compost heap is truly the gardener's bank and pays good dividends. But there's a science in making and maintaining a compost heap. With the chances good that fertilizer will be more scarce, even rationed, it behooves the home gardener to use the compost heap to the greatest possible advantage.

Many gardeners hesitate to start a "soil bank" because they feel it is unsightly. But it can be screened. There's only one point about the location that should be stressed: put it where you can reach it with a hose! A watering each ten days or fortnight is the most efficient way to hasten decomposition. The product we are after is pure, rich humus which is simply decomposed organic matter.

There are no secrets to building an efficient compost heap. But it should be built up evenly so the pressure is approximately the same over the entire surface. This pressure from above generates heat in the mass and hastens the process of decay.

Once in a while during the season, and at reasonably regular intervals, the pile is tramped down. Tramp it down as if you were tramping a load of hay.

The value of the product can be vastly increased by spreading a few pounds of fertilizer over the surface occasionally. Three or four pounds of nitrate of soda is a good product to use. If it isn't to be had, a few bushels of poultry droppings, also rich in nitrogen, can be mixed into the compost heap.

What goes onto the pile? Anything and everything that is organic and will decay: weeds, plants, grass, branches, and twigs and garbage. When the garden is cleaned in the fall, all the plants ought to be saved. Instead of burning leaves in autumn they also should go onto the "bank."

Once a compost heap is started the dividends are generous, provided deposits are made con-

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tinuously. One digs out the rich humus at the bottom and adds new materials on the top. It's perpetual motion—and good food for the flowers and vegetables.

Back Yard Gardener By G. O. Oleson

Have you ever stopped to think this one over? Each year we take pounds of products from our gardens, yet we seldom put back the same amount of plant food represented by the vegetables we eat. Then we wonder why our gardens fail to produce bumper crops year after year.

I think old Mother Nature gives the answer to that one. She maintains fertility by returning plant food to the soil in the form of decayed leaves or dead grass or other refuse. All of that simply adds up to the fact that we as home gardeners should make more of an effort to prepare compost piles or make some artificial manure for building up our gardens. It will be helpful in two ways. You'll get more products and you'll be saving nitrogen which is needed in our war effort.

One very bad pastime in the fall is the burning of leaves. It is a very wasteful practice and it's also a public nuisance and a hazard. Yet some of us do it, year after year.

There is a difference, as I think of it, between compost and artificial manure. Compost has in it a very large proportion of soil and is usually used on flower beds or as a top dressing for lawns. Artificial manure is mainly the decomposed refuse such as leaves, garden products, hay, straw, and so forth, with just a sprinkling of soil added in order to supply the decomposing bacteria.

Both compost and artificial manure may or may not have commercial fertilizer added. The artificial manure usually has lime added, since we use this artificial manure on vegetable gardens where we usually need a neutral or alkaline soil. If you are using this compost for shrubs which tolerate acid soils, then of course you would not add lime. In other words, you will have to decide ahead of time what you want and then make compost or artificial manure.

One difficulty I always find in making a compost heap or an artificial manure heap is to keep it flat on top. It usually looks like an inverted pyramid. However, the best way to avoid this is to make a fence similar to a snow fence out of laths and some old wire. Then start your compost pile inside this fence. As soon as the pile has settled into shape you can take the fence off and start another.

As I said, to make a better product you add commercial fertilizer. But as you know, commercial fertilizer which has a mineral source of nitrogen, is to be used only on vegetables or by

commercial people. So it is more important than ever to make compost or artificial manure. About 100 pounds of fertilizer and 25 pounds of ground limestone will be sufficient to make a pile of artificial manure 5 feet each way—high, wide, and broad.

You add a few handfuls of fertilizer and a very light sprinkling of soil for each new supply of organic matter. With compost you have, as I said before, almost as much soil as you do refuse in the pile when it is completed. And of course, you add the limestone or not just as you wish.

Water should be added, but not enough so that it will leach out at the bottom of the pile — just enough to keep the material moist. Shovel the material over two or three times during the season. This will tend to hasten decay. You can put some of your kitchen garbage into this pile, but do not use the greasy portions. Old hay or straw can be used for making artificial manure if you lack leaves and garden refuse.

Know Massachusetts by State Planning Board

DO YOU KNOW THAT . . . Even in 1940, before the draft, the census showed that 30.6 per cent of all persons gainfully employed in Massachusetts were women.

Between the ages of 20 and 24 years the proportion of women was nearly 44 per cent. . . . The census also showed that Massachusetts ranked eleventh among the 48 states in the median average income received by wage and salary workers. The Massachusetts average of \$937 per worker compared with \$800 for the United States as a whole . . . A recent survey of the town of Hull by the National Housing Agency showed a total of 2,900 summer homes of which about 14 per cent already are suitable for winter occupancy, and at least 75 per cent can be made suitable with relatively little expense, thereby helping substantially to relieve the shortage of dwelling units for workers in the Fore River area . . . Eight social agencies in Boston last year served 309,904 meals and provided 137,448 lodgings for destitute men, women and children . . . Of 1,208,451 dwelling units in Massachusetts reporting on lighting equipment in the 1940 census, 97.6 per cent used electricity and 2.1 per cent used oil. 96.2 per cent of the homes had a radio. . . . Benjamin Franklin's mother was a native of Nantucket, the daughter of Peter Folger, who settled there in 1663 . . . The island originally was called "Sperburne" and did not take its present name until 1795 . . . The ship Bedford of Nantucket, Captain William Moores, was the first vessel to hoist the American flag in a British port, February 1783. . . . Jacob Crane, Director of Urban Studies for the National Housing

Agency, and Hugh Pomeroy, Director of Virginia State Planning Board, will address the annual conference of the Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards at Holyoke on October 16 and 17.

Young Johnny was in difficulties during class, and when the master called him out he anticipated trouble, and slipped a book in the seat of his pants.

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